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# Foreign Patent Documents

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### Other Prior Art

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The above-listed reference, as well as the U.S. patents disclosed in the electronic Information Disclosure Statement filed today, are, in the belief and opinion of the undersigned, the closest art of which the Applicant is aware as of this date, and it is hereby respectfully requested that these documents be considered and made of record in the above-identified application.

It is believed that this disclosure complies with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, and the Manual of Patent Examining Procedures §609. If for some reason the Examiner considers otherwise, it is respectfully requested that the undersigned be called so that any deficiencies can be remedied.

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